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HIT TO

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, Information Handling Committee

SUBJECT

: Funding of the COINS Switch

Bob:

- 1. This is in response to your 22 May memo to Hank Knoche on the funding of COINS.
- 2. I have checked with the Bureau of the Budget and have been advised that DIA budgeted for the cost of the COINS switch in their FY 71 budget. Accordingly, I think the question now is academic and that the general principle, which I favor in any case, can be exercised, i.e., that the executive agency responsible for the project will also be responsible for funding as opposed to multiple funding arrangements.
- 3. This position is consistent with Colonel White's recent memo to the Director, NSA.

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